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PHILIPPINE ISLANDS: A. S. WATSON & CO., Manila.  
CHINA: HONG KONG & KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED, 1, Duddell Street, Hongkong, August 1, 1901. 1901

Business Intimations.  
STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY, LIMITED.  
THE Company is now in a position to Collect and Deliver at Private Residences. Customers who desire our man to call for their washing will oblige by addressing the undersigned.  
F. G. ALLEN, Manager.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1901. 1715  
NOTICE.  
I have THIS DAY Resumed my DENTAL PRACTICE  
Wm. MACLEOD, D.D.S.,  
Peninsular Arcade.  
Hongkong, August 1, 1901. 1901  
NOTICE.  
THE Undersigned carry in Stock an extensive line of CIGARS and CIGARETTES from the GERMAN FACTORY of Manila, for which they are Sole Agents in Hongkong. Prices moderate. Stocked specially selected quality. A trial solicited. Special Terms to Exporters.  
T. M. STEVENS & CO.,  
1, Duddell Street.  
Hongkong, August 2, 1901. 1901  
NOTICE.  
THE Undersigned COMPTON STORE have been trading in this Colony for the past forty odd years, and have gained the Confidence of both the EUROPEAN and CHINESE Communities. Lately rumors are spread by shameless folks that we are declared Bankrupt, but our business is transacted with as much fidelity as heretofore, and we hope our constituents will not be influenced by such unfounded rumors.  
HING KEE,  
No. 3, Jubilee Street.  
Hongkong, August 23, 1901. 1754  
Wanted.  
WANTED SADDLE AND BRIDLE,  
Etc.  
Address: "E."  
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.  
Hongkong, August 22, 1901. 1749  
WANTED.  
ON the PLAK, a HOUSE FURNISHED or Unfurnished of about Four Rooms.  
Apply to  
"G. B."  
Care of "CHINA MAIL" Office.  
Hongkong, August 21, 1901. 1741  
IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA.  
WANTED.  
AN EXPERIENCED MAN of Business to act as COMPTROLLER from next China New Year.  
Full particulars can be obtained on application to the Undersigned.  
By Order of the Board of Directors.  
E. W. BUTTER,  
Manager.  
Hongkong, July 30, 1901. 1673  
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Intimations.  
GREAT EASTERN AND CALEDONIAN GOLD MINING CO., LTD.  
(IN LIQUIDATION).  
NOTICE is hereby given that a First and Final DIVIDEND of 24 cents per Shareholder will be PAID. Shareholders are requested to send in their Payment Vouchers at their earliest convenience to the Undersigned, whereupon Payment of the above Dividend will be made.  
M. BENNECKE,  
Liquidator.  
Hongkong, August 23, 1901. 1757

Entertainment.  
BENEFIT  
FOR THE WIDOW AND CHILDREN OF THE LATE ARMOURER SERGEANT A. WILLIAMS, 2nd Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers.  
UNDER THE DISTINGUISHED PATRONAGE OF His Excellency Sir H. A. BLAKE, G.C.M.G.  
COMMODORE P. POWELL, C.B., R.N. The Acting General Officer Commanding the Troops—Colonel L. F. BROWN, R.E.  
A GRAND MILITARY TATTOO will take place on the HONGKONG VOLUNTEER PARADE GROUND (by kind permission of the Acting COMMANDANT) commencing at 3 p.m. sharp, on WEDNESDAY, 4th SEPT., 1901. The Military and Navy of Hongkong will be represented in a Trenchant procession, headed by Bands, Drums, Pipes, and Pipes of the Garrison, kindly lent by the COMMANDING OFFICERS. Tickets can be obtained at Messrs KELLY & WAUGH, Messrs ROBINSON & CO., HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS HEADQUARTERS, and at the different Messes.  
Hongkong, August 24, 1901. 1740

Company Notices.  
THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
AN INTERIM DIVIDEND at the Rate of 5% (Two Dollars and Forty Cents per SHARE) for the Six Months ending 30th June, 1901, will be PAID to those Persons who are Registered as Shareholders in the above Company on the 30th August, 1901.  
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 22nd to the 30th Instant, both days inclusive.  
EDWARD OSBORNE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 15, 1901. 1709  
THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING, WEAVING & DYING COMPANY, LIMITED.  
ISSUE OF NEW SHARES OF \$10 EACH PAYABLE ON APPLICATION.  
APPLICATIONS for 50,000 New Shares will be received by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on or before 3 p.m. on the 27th of August, 1901, upon forms which may be obtained either at the said Bank or from the undersigned.  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, August 14, 1901. 1693  
HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.  
NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.  
CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of Dividends contributed during the Half Year ended 30th June, 1901, on or before the 10th SEPTEMBER, on which date the Accounts will be CLOSED.  
By Order of the Board of Directors,  
THOS. I. ROSE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, August 22, 1901. 1744  
HONGKONG HIGH-LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.  
TIME TABLE.  
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THE PROPOSED LOTTERY IN  
FORMOSA.

It seems to be regarded as certain  
that the Government will shortly an-  
nounce its approval of the establish-  
ment of a lottery in Formosa, but as  
no definite statement has yet been  
made, we still hope, in the interests of  
the financial standing of the Japanese  
Government, that the rumours are  
unfounded. The measure seems to  
have its advocates in the Japanese  
press, even the *Tiji* apparently being  
in favour of the proposal. In the *Osaka  
Mainichi* there appeared some two or  
three weeks ago a long letter, signed  
Shirakawa Saji, dealing with the  
objections urged by the *Kobe Chronicle*  
to the proposed lottery. It would  
appear, however, that the writer has  
either not read the article in question  
with very great attention, or that he  
has greatly misunderstood certain parts  
of it. For example, he regards the  
objections raised as based to some extent  
on the allegation that State lotteries in  
Europe proved a failure, on which he  
makes the curious remark that if men  
and things are to be judged according  
to their result, Jesus Christ must be  
pronounced a bad man, because he was  
crucified. It is scarcely necessary to  
point out the fallacy underlying such  
an argument, but the writer may be  
asked in what way decisions upon the  
good or ill of any course of action are  
to be arrived at if not by the method  
of judging results. As it happens,  
however, we did not say that State  
lotteries had proved a failure, but that  
the Governments of the greater nations  
had come to consider them an improper  
means of raising revenue, likely to  
reflect upon the financial credit of any  
nation which adopted such methods.  
Briefly, Mr. Shirakawa's position is  
that the circumstances under which a  
lottery is floated and the purposes to  
which the revenue derived therefrom  
are to be applied must be taken into  
account in judging whether it is good  
or bad. The necessary conditions which  
condone the establishment of a lottery  
he finds in Formosa at the present time.  
In Formosa it is urgently necessary for  
the development of the island that  
railways should be constructed, har-  
bours improved, roads made, industries  
developed, and the sanitary and educa-  
tional needs of the island taken in  
hand. The ordinary revenue is quite  
insufficient for the wants of the  
island, and the thirty-five million  
bonds floated for industrial purposes  
will soon be swallowed up. A hundred  
million yen at least is required to give  
Formosa a start, and there are no means  
by which this amount of money can be  
raised out of revenue, even by anticipat-  
ing the expected income from the salt,  
complan and opium monopolies. Hence  
he urges the establishment of a lottery  
which would provide the revenue  
necessary without taxing Formosa at  
all. The Chinese in Formosa and on the  
mainland would be the chief customers  
for the lottery, and as gambling is  
inherent in the Chinese and cannot be  
suppressed there is no reason why the  
Japanese Government should not take  
advantage of it. That is the conclusion  
to which his argument tends, and Mr.  
Shirakawa will, we hope, forgive us if  
we say that in our opinion such an argu-  
ment strikes at the very foundation of  
morality. As he must be fully aware, the  
Japanese Government has prohibited  
lotteries in Japan, because they are a  
form of gambling, and gambling is  
regarded as being inimical to the welfare  
of a State. If, therefore, the Japanese  
Government, for its own purposes, pro-  
ceeds to the establishment of a lottery  
because the Chinese will be the chief  
contributors while the territory of  
Formosa will be the only beneficiary, it  
will run directly counter to the Con-  
fucian maxim, 'What you do  
not wish done to yourself, do not  
do to others.' The Japanese Govern-  
ment would be the very first to resent  
the establishment of a lottery in China  
that was deliberately intended to ex-  
ploit the people of Japan, whether the  
money realised as profits was to be  
devoted to a State or to a private pur-  
pose. The *Tiji*, we are surprised to  
note, looks at the matter from a similar  
opportunist standpoint to that taken by  
the correspondent of the *Mainichi*. The  
Tokyo journal reckons that a revenue  
of from 10,000 to 15,000 can  
be obtained at first, and that this will  
eventually grow to a million or a million  
and a half per year. If, says our gen-  
tleman, the revenue so derived be  
used for the preservation of temples or  
shrines, charitable purposes or sanitary  
improvements, the lottery can be carried  
on without impairing the prestige of the  
Government as a civilized Power. We

cannot see that the use to which a fund  
is to be put can dignify or excuse the  
methods by which the money is obtain-  
ed. This is the argument that was  
implicitly adopted by men in the Middle  
Ages who, having enriched themselves  
by dishonest or oppressive means, be-  
queathed the large proportion of their  
property to the Church on their death-  
beds in the belief that the uses to which  
it was to be put would atone for the  
misdeeds by which it was acquired. If  
Japan adopts this proposal of a lottery  
for Formosa, we believe that she will  
materially injure her financial credit.  
When a State falls back on lotteries for  
revenue, the inference by the world is  
pretty much that which is applied to  
the case of a man who makes a systema-  
tic practice of increasing his income by  
card-playing. It will be an unfortunate  
day for Japan if by her own deliberate  
act she depreciates her credit in the  
financial world.—*Kobe Chronicle*.

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slight pressure suffices to free these  
hooks from the sheath, and within one  
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them can be placed on a wound in such  
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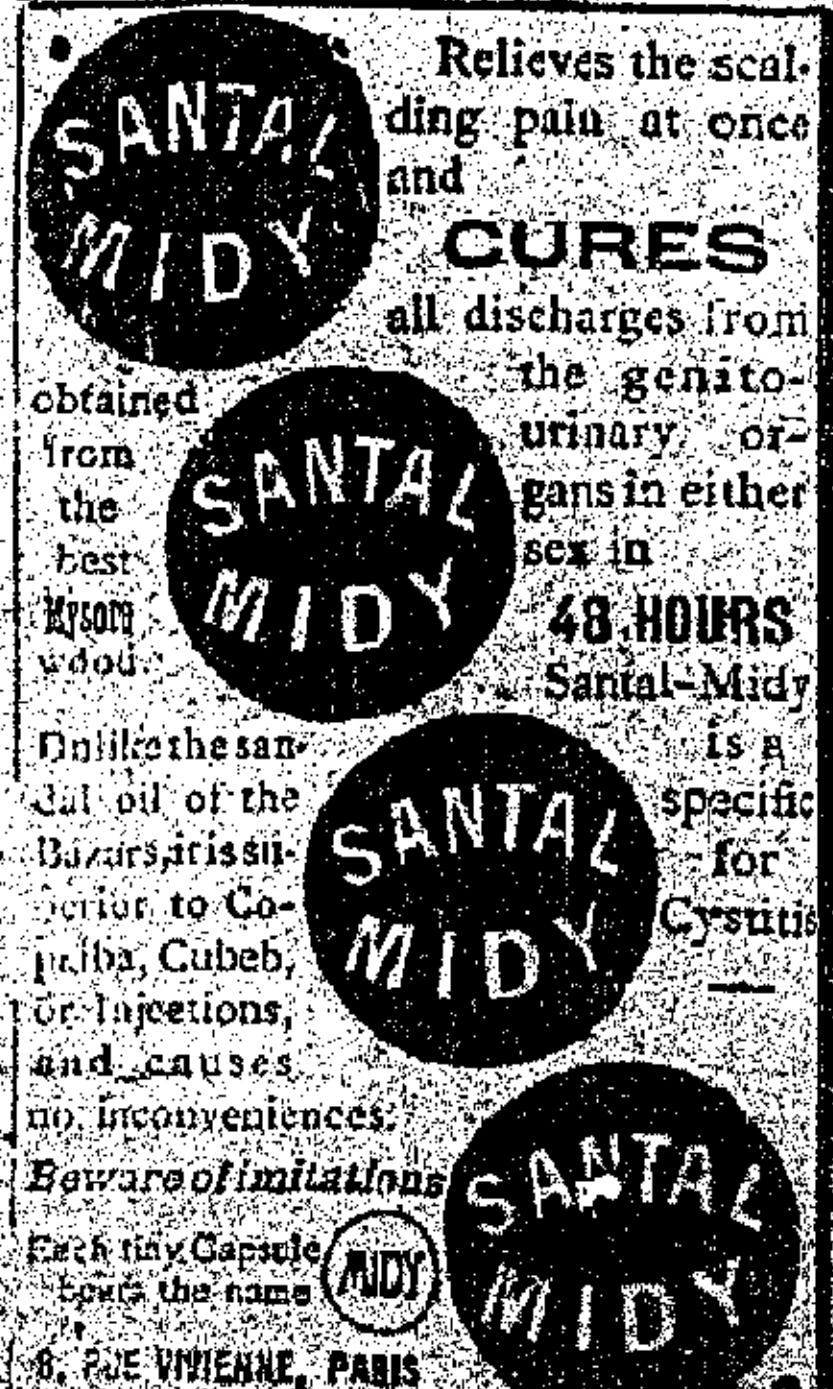
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## THE GENTLE JAP!

### Brutal Attack on a Foreigner.

The *Kobe Chronicle* of the 10th inst. says:—On the evening of the 7th inst. occurred another of those brutal attacks by jiu-jitsu-men which we had hoped were a thing of the past in Miogo prefecture. Mr. Bethell, it appears, alighted from a train at Sumiyoshi Station with the object of proceeding to the Bathhouse at Mirone, and for this purpose took a jiu-jitsu from a stand near by. Having proceeded a few yards, the jiu-jitsu-man stopped and informed Mr. Bethell that he would require twenty-five sen as his fare. The legal fare from Sumiyoshi Station to the Bathhouse, it appears, is only eighteen sen, but as Mr. Bethell has on previous occasions paid twenty-five sen he had no objection to playing the same amount on this occasion. What he did object to, however, was that it should be made the subject of a demand. He alighted, and, walking back to the stand, tried to engage another man, but seeing that he had left the first jiu-jitsu the other man refused to take him. Mr. Bethell, determined to report the matter to the authorities, went back to the man whom he had first engaged, unlocked the licence-board from underneath the seat of the vehicle, and requested the man to accompany him to the police-station in order that the matter might be settled by the police. Knowing how the Japanese resent the least attempt to use any force, Mr. Bethell was particularly careful not to seize the man by his clothing, as he knew it would result in a general attack. The taking of the licence to the police-station was regarded as the surest way of bringing the charge home to the man, who might otherwise, with the assistance of his friends, deny any participation in the affair. We think this was somewhat injudicious, as the taking of the man's number or that of his jiu-jitsu would have been quite sufficient. But of course this does not afford the slightest excuse for what followed. He had not proceeded more than a few yards when the biggest of the men from the stand demanded the licence back, but Mr. Bethell declined to hand it over, contending that the dispute did not concern the interloper. Immediately a crowd of thirteen or fourteen cowardly ruffians from the stand and neighbourhood set upon Mr. Bethell with large sticks. Mr. Bethell, who had not even a walking-stick, commenced to tug his fists, with the result that some six or seven of his assailants received more probably than they bargained for.

At last one man with a pole some four feet long and about the thickness of a man's arm, struck Mr. Bethell on the head, stunning him for a moment and causing a deep cut above the right temple, from which blood flowed profusely. The sight of the blood probably frightened the men, who desisted from the attack. Having recovered himself somewhat, Mr. Bethell kept track of the man who had so brutally assaulted him, and on the arrival of a policeman the man was immediately arrested.

Mr. Bethell was escorted to the police-station at Sumiyoshi, and a medical man was summoned to attend to his wounds. The injuries inflicted consist, in addition to the deep cut on the head, of severe bruises about the arms, hands and across the shoulders and back, while the wound on the left leg is so serious that Mr. Bethell is at present unable to walk, and probably will not be able to do so for some days.

Two men are under arrest in connection with the assault, these being all that could be identified. Mr. Bethell, in view of the punishment which his assailants had met with, at first hesitated about preferring a charge against them, but we are glad to learn in the public interest that he has decided otherwise and that the men are now undergoing preliminary examination, the police authorities being very active in connection with the affair.

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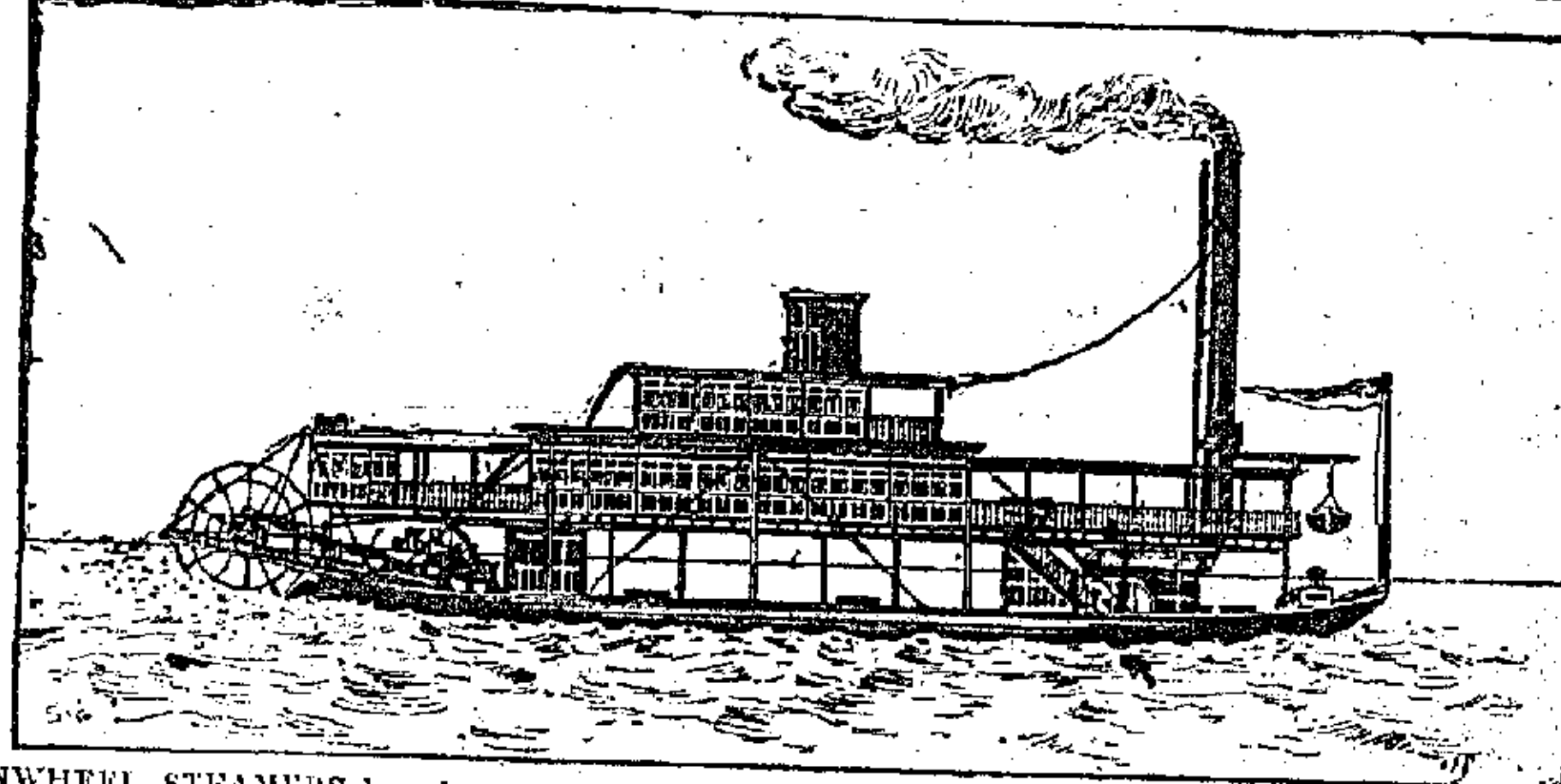
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H.M.A. China Consular Service, of a  
Son.

On the 10th August, to Rev. D. and  
Mrs. MacGILLIVRAY, a Daughter.

## DEATH.

A Hoihow, on August 21, EVELYN Gen-  
tner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. William  
Macphail; Aged 1 year and 10 months.

The publication of this item terminated  
at 4.15 p.m.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, AUGUST 26, 1901.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Notes by the Way.

The *Bayfours* gave a ball at Wei-  
haiwei on the 2nd inst.

Manila is offering 2½ cents per rat  
taken to the Board of Health Office.

Lord Milner sailed for Cape Town on  
board the steamer *Saxon* on the 10th inst.

A public park is to be laid out in the  
square in front of the Hotel Oriente in  
Manila.

Lieut. General Voyron and his staff  
were received in audience by the Mikado  
on the 12th inst.

Mr C. H. Barritt has submitted an ex-  
haustive report on the prospects of coal  
mining in the Philippine Islands.

The following appointment has been  
made at the Admiralty: Commander M.  
Macdonald, to the *Argonaut*, to date July  
2.

There was one death (Chinese) from  
plague during the past forty-eight hours  
and two fresh cases (1 Chinese, 1 other  
Chinese).

An aged paint-scraper had a nasty fall  
aboard the s.s. *Haitan* at Hungshing Dock  
on Friday. He died of his injuries on  
Saturday.

General Voyron, the late French  
commander-in-chief in North China, was a  
passenger by the M. M. mail steamer  
*Genier* for Europe to day.

News was received at Shanghai by  
wire from Kobe of the arrival there of the  
crew of a steel lighter, name unknown,  
sundered in the vicinity of the Sadoes.

Thought a lesson by the collapse of  
houses in Hongkong, the Manila authori-  
ties are carrying out a careful inspection of  
Chinese and Filipino rookeries in that city.

Yesterday, the Chinese owned steam  
launch *Che Loi* ran down a sampan. The  
occupants were thrown into the water but  
were rescued. Some of their effects were  
lost.

There is much distress among the  
natives in the island of Panay, consequent  
on the neglect of agriculture during the in-  
surrection. Relief is being sent from  
Iloilo.

A mounted police force is being organ-  
ized by the American authorities in Luzon.  
Two thousand horses have been handed  
over for this purpose by the military au-  
thorities.

A marriage will shortly take place be-  
tween Rev. Tomas Black, chaplain and  
naval instructor Royal Navy, and Edith  
Bance, elder daughter of Mr Joseph  
Teich, of Shanghai.

The Italian cruiser *Elba* left Nagasaki  
for Tokyo on the 7th inst., in response to  
a telegraphic order from Admiral Goret.  
The *Elba* and the *Scavani* had been  
called to Europe, and will shortly sail for  
home from the Gulf of Pechili.

The total number of students to be  
sent abroad by the Japanese Government  
this year, to acquire practical knowledge of  
business and of various industries, totals  
44, 25 of whom will go to the United States,  
31 to China, 10 to France, 9 to Germany,  
and 3 to Great Britain.

The vernacular papers report that  
there are a large number of visitors to  
Arims and other hot springs in Japan this  
year. There were more visitors this year  
than there have been in other years. In  
Arims alone, there were over 1,500 visitors  
down to the 16th inst.

Mr H. E. Hammon—popularly known  
as 'Ted' Hammon—buccannier of the Bay  
View Hotel, died very suddenly at about  
three o'clock on Sunday afternoon, on the  
hotel premises, in the presence of some  
visitors. The body was removed to the  
Mortuary for post mortem examination. It  
is believed that death was due to heart  
apoplexy. Deceased, who was 31 years of  
age, will be buried this evening at the Pro-  
testant Cemetery at Happy Valley.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Notes from Nippon.

The Tokio papers are again writing  
strongly on the Manchuria question.

Kelung and other towns in North  
Formosa suffered very seriously in the re-  
cent typhoons.

The *Japan Mail* holds that China has  
gained a new lease of life by her so-called  
madness of last year.

The *Saim Maru*, 147 tons, has opened  
a semi-weekly subsidised service between  
Chefoo and Weihaiwei.

Admiral and Mrs Beardslee left Yoko-  
hama for the States by the last trip of the  
T. K. K. S. *Hongkong Maru*.

Glasgow University has conferred the  
degree of LL.D. on Professor Sakurai Joji,  
a Japanese scholar of repute.

The news of the Russian proclamation  
of suzerainty over Newchwang is reported  
in the Japanese papers to be confirmed.

A very imposing ceremony took place  
at the German Church at Tokyo on the  
11th inst. in memory of the Empress  
Frederick.

Mr King Kingston, eldest son of Mr  
N. P. Kingston, of Yokohama, died from an  
aneurism of the heart on the 14th inst.,  
aged 34 years.

The Mayor of Kobe and other promi-  
nent Japanese, presented an address of  
welcome to General Voyron on board the  
M. M. S. *Oceanic* at Kobe on the 10th  
inst.

While the steamer *Hokoku Maru* was  
anchoring in Moji harbour on the 10th  
inst., her cable parted and she drifted on  
to the steamer *Chingwa*, both vessels being  
damaged, the estimated amount being  
10,000 yen.

## Service Amenities at Weihaiwei.

A correspondent writes to the *Mer-  
cury*:—It is an open secret that the rela-  
tions between the Military and Naval  
authorities on the Island are strained.  
The place is far too small for both parties,  
and I quite expect that the Military ele-  
ment will shortly move to the mainland,  
their proper place, and leave the Island  
entirely in the hands of the Navy. It  
seems a pity, however, that the fortifica-  
tions which were so nearly completed  
should now be abandoned, but I suppose  
this matter will be gone into again later on.

## The Woosung Bar.

The *Mercury* of the 21st August says:  
—Our special telegram of yesterday ought  
to have read 'Dr Morrison, the *Times* cor-  
respondent, cables that Li Hung-chang, in  
acknowledging the Peace Protocol, states  
the objections of Viceroy Liu Kung-yi to  
the Whangpo Conservancy scheme, but the  
Ministers of the Powers decline to reopen  
the question.' Viceroy Liu Kung-yi during  
his interviews with Mr Boume, the British  
Consul-General, and Dr Knappe, the Ger-  
man Consul-General, we understand, made  
no objection to the Conservancy Scheme,  
but rather upheld it, but it seems that he  
has since altered his mind and has sent  
objections to the Chinese Peace Commis-  
sioners. We are inclined to think there  
must be some mistake about the matter, or  
else the Peace Commissioners at Peking  
are putting obstacles in the way themselves  
and throwing the blame on Liu.

## Apologetic Mission to Japan.

The *N. C. Daily News* of the 22nd  
August says:—Na Tang, the Manchou  
Boxer Chief, and Special Ambassador to  
Japan to apologise for the murder of the  
late Mr. Sugiyama in June, 1900, arrived  
here on Tuesday by the *Huian* from Tang-  
ku. Na Tang was received by the local  
mandarins at Kinkiesyen, where the usual  
arch or temporary 'gate' decorated with  
red lanterns and covered lanterns had been  
erected in honour of the new arrival. This  
notorious Conservative disclaimed to drive  
in the brougham and pair which had been  
prepared for him to take him to the quar-  
ters prepared for himself and his staff, but  
rode in a four-wheeled sedan-chair. Quar-  
ters had been prepared for the Mission,  
both at the Bureau of Foreign Affairs on  
the Bubbling Well Road, as well as at  
Ambassadors' Hall in the rear of the Temple  
of the Queen of Heaven at the foot of the  
North Hsien Road Bridge, Hongkew, so  
that the special Ambassador might take his  
choice of where to reside while in Shanghai.  
As a matter of fact the former named  
house, furnished in the modern styles of  
East and West, represents Reform or the  
New Régime, whilst the usual old-time  
furniture and appointments at Ambassa-  
dors' Hall represent Conservatism; what  
more natural for Na Tang than that his  
choice should fall on Ambassadors' Hall? We  
are further informed Na Tang's suite is  
a 'very small one'—only twenty-six, all  
told. The mission will leave by the Japa-  
nese mail steamer *Saim Maru* for Yoko-  
hama to-morrow. We understand that Na  
Tang, who had never been on a steamer in  
his life, was very much alarmed when he  
found he would have to travel to Tokyo by  
water, but he was reassured by Li Hung-  
chang, who told him that in the *Hsien*,  
Capt. Wallace, he would find one of the  
best steamers and boat commanders in the  
China Merchants' Company's service.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## Russians at Newchwang.

A Russian proclamation has been  
issued declaring the part of Newchwang to  
be under Russian protection, and directing  
all Chinese residents to act solely under  
Russian guidance.

Death of Comdr. Wise, U.S.N.  
Commander Frederick M. Wise,  
U.S.N., of the *Monoway*, died at the U.S.  
Naval Hospital at Yokohama on the 14th  
August. He had been for some months in  
failing health.

## Banks in Canton.

We hear (says the *China Gazette*) that  
the Russo-Chinese and the German Banks  
are about to open branches in Canton; the  
big local bank will doubtless have a look  
in to the City of Rums as well. The won-  
der is that no foreign bank has established  
itself in such a great commercial centre  
long ago.

## Sale of the 'Muenchen'.

A Shanghai contemporary announces  
that Messrs. Furnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.,  
have bought the steamer *Muenchen*, which  
was stranded on the island of Yap, and  
and brought up to Hongkong after tem-  
porary repairs. She will be towed up to  
Shanghai as soon as the weather is favour-  
able.

## Naval Commander Robbed.

Commander Edward Charlton, of  
H.M.S. *Orlando*, while staying at the Kod-  
zukan, Kodzu, was robbed of yen 63, on  
the 11th inst., by a man staying in a room  
next to his, while the officer was bathing.  
The matter being reported to the police,  
they sent out two detectives to trace the  
culprit. On the following day, the officers  
arrested the thief, a native.

## Fatal Fires at Shanghai.

At Shanghai on the 20th August, four-  
teen houses were destroyed by fire and four  
partially destroyed in an alley off the Tae-  
poo Road—the property of Messrs David  
Sassoon and Co. A boy, four years of age,  
and a girl, one year old, were burned to  
death. Several Europeans, including Mr  
L. Moore, chief engineer, had narrow  
escape from falling debris.

## A Daring Thief.

The following paragraph is taken from  
a Bristol contemporary:—At Bristol police  
court on Wednesday, George Hy. Eva, 18,  
was charged with stealing a gold trinket and  
attempting to steal a Jubilee coin, value 2½,  
the property of Mrs Chatham, of 61,  
Ravenswood Road. The prosecutor, who  
is the wife of the Acting Director of Public  
Works, Hongkong, said on the previous  
evening, about six o'clock, she was going  
down Park Street, and when near the Vin-  
duet, saw the prisoner who was standing  
with his hands in his pockets. As the wit-  
ness approached the prisoner, he made a grab  
at the ornaments on her watch chain, which  
included a Jubilee 5 pence. A gold trinket  
fell to the ground, and this the prisoner  
picked up. She caught hold of the pris-  
oner, who ran away, but he was caught.  
Henry Parry said he saw the prisoner  
make a grab at the watch chain and then run  
down the steps under the Vinduet. He  
gave chase and caught up to him near  
Canon's Marsh. Another man obtained a  
policeman, who took him to the station.  
P.C. 42C said he found the gold trinket  
upon the prisoner. Inspector Robertson  
said the man had been convicted at Law-  
ford's Gate about five weeks ago for fraudu-  
lent enlistment. Joseph Derrick, St. Nich-  
olas Road, St. Paul's, also gave evidence.  
The accused, who elected to go for trial,  
was committed to the quarter session. The  
bench complimented Parry and Derrick  
for their action in catching the man.

## Mysterious Disappearance.

Mr John Black, second engineer of  
the Marty steamer *Hue*, mysteriously dis-  
appeared during the last voyage of the  
vessel from Haiphong to this port. He  
was first missed when the vessel was in the  
Gulf of Tong King, but, as nothing what-  
ever was known as to when he went over-  
board, and as there was no likelihood of his  
being picked up, the vessel proceeded on  
her way. When the third engineer came  
up to be relieved by Chief Engineer  
Bowden, he could not find any trace of  
Black. He reported the matter to Captain  
Godineau, who ordered a thorough search  
of the ship to be made. Black's cabin was  
found to be in good order, but all his be-  
longings were packed up as if he intended  
to leave the ship. The search of the ship  
proved unsuccessful, and the whole  
circumstances led those in charge to the  
conclusion that Black had committed  
suicide by jumping overboard. His  
manner lately had been quiet and  
reserved and his habits temperate, but  
there was nothing to indicate that he was  
of unsound mind. He knew his business  
well and his employers considered him a  
good servant. Formerly he was on the  
*Haiting*, but, on the recommendation of  
his Chief he was promoted and transferred  
to the *Hue*. He was a single man, about  
forty years of age, and had travelled up  
and down the coast in Marty's service for  
many years. Mr Black's father and mother  
have resided in Bangkok for over twenty  
years, and are well known and much re-  
spected there. It is a curious fact that  
Chief Engineer Richards disappeared from  
this boat, under similar circumstances,  
about eighteen months ago.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

## The Yacht Race.

A London telegram dated 13th inst.,  
announces that the *Erin* and *Shamrock II*  
have arrived at New York.

## Hongkong Nurses received by Queen.

Amongst the nurses received by the  
Queen at Marlborough House on 19th July  
were Nurses Walker, Barker, and Mead,  
who were at Hongkong attending patients  
suffering from plague.

## Dysentery in Japan.

From the report issued by the Sanitary  
Bureau of the Home Department it ap-  
pears that 9,064 cases of dysentery have  
occurred throughout Japan since January  
last, and that the disease shows signs  
of spreading. Yokohama, with 91 cases,  
stands at the head of the list, and is fol-  
lowed by Gumma, Nigata, Aichi, Yamana-  
shi, and Shizuoka.

## Government Appointments.

H.E. the Governor has appointed Mr  
Cecil Clementi to be Acting Clerk of  
Council, and Dr J. M. Atkinson, Prin-  
cipal Civil Medical Officer, to be President of  
the Sanitary Board vice the Hon W. Chat-  
ham, Acting Director of Public Works,  
resigned. The Royal approval of the Hon.  
J. J. Bell-Irving's appointment as Un-  
official Member of the Executive and  
Legislative Councils, during the absence on  
leave of Hon. J. J. Kowick, is notified in  
the *Gazette*.

## Typhoon at Weihaiwei.

A correspondent writes on the 5th inst.  
to the *Mercury*:—On Saturday the Naval  
authorities received information of a  
typhoon coming from the South, and both  
yesterday and today it has been blowing  
very hard indeed and no communication  
with the Island has been possible. The  
*Whiting* broke away from her moorings,  
but was secured before much damage was  
done. A mining engineer, Mr Dawson,  
was blown out of his boat while attempting  
to cross the bay, but with a string they  
hauled him back again.

## Sudden Death of a British Officer.

News was telephoned to the Oriental  
Hotel, Kobe, from the Yamai Hotel, Kio-  
to, on the 15th inst., of the death of Captain  
H. Purvis, of the 3rd Bombay Cavalry.  
The unfortunate officer, who arrived in  
Japan on leave a few weeks ago, was found  
dead in his bed at 4 o'clock in the morning.  
The sad occurrence was duly reported to  
H. B. M.'s Consul, who made the necessary  
arrangements for the funeral, which took  
place at Kobe on the 16th inst. According  
to information received at the Consulate,  
death was due to heart failure.

## Major Halliday's V.C.

His Majesty the King held an impres-  
sive court at St. James's Palace on the 25th July.  
Being Collar day (St. James's) the Knights  
of the several Orders wore their Collars.  
The recipients were solemnly introduced  
into the presence of the Sovereign, when  
the King conferred upon them the honours  
of knighthood, and invested them with the  
insignia of the order into which they  
have been admitted. The first intro-  
duced was Colonel Sir Claude Maxwell  
Macdonald, His Majesty's Minister and  
Plenipotentiary in Japan, who received his  
military K.C.B. His Majesty afterwards  
conferred the decoration of the Victoria  
Cross upon several officers and men, among  
them being Major Halliday. The King  
also handed the Medal for Distinguished  
Conduct in the Field to the non-commissioned  
officers and men on whom it was recently  
conferred.

## Banquet to a Chinese Admiral.

The *Kiangyin* correspondent of the  
*N. C. Daily News* writes on the 19th  
August:—A banquet has been given to  
Rear-Admiral Yeh, of the *Polyang* squad-  
ron. It is known that Admiral Yeh was  
cut off from his fleet last year on the fall of  
the Taku forts by the Allied Admirals. Al-  
though not strictly a prisoner of war, he  
might safely have been called such; it was  
undoubtedly a very trying time for the Ad-  
miral, captain, and crew of the *Haiyang* at  
Taku and Weihaiwei. The banquet was  
given by the Captain and officers of the  
Northern Squadron and took place on Com-  
modore Salt's ship, the *Haidra*. The after-  
deck was nicely decorated with flags and  
flowers. The table was laid on the deck,  
and, over it, underneath the awning, the  
Chinese, German, and British officers were  
displayed. The foreign dinner was excel-  
lently served; the wines were very good  
and the champagne and cutlery were of the  
latest design. During dinner several  
speeches were made. The Commodore pro-  
posed the health of Admiral Yeh, and the Ad-  
miral replied in suitable terms. Among  
the other speeches was one by a Chinese  
lady who sat at the Admiral's right hand.  
She said that she hoped the time would  
soon come when Chinese officers would be  
able to bring their wives to banquets. The  
lady referred to was Mrs Jurgens, who ap-  
peared at the banquet in native dress.  
This will, no doubt, be of interest to the  
Anti-Footbinding Society. The Chinese  
officers looked very well in their uniform,  
but the peacock's feather could well be dis-  
pensated with. The foreign instructors at  
the Forts were kindly invited to the ban-  
quet, and the invitation was readily re-  
sponded to. That the *Polyang* squadron  
may have a bright future is the hearty wish  
of all foreigners who were present. Admiral  
Yeh has since left here for Shanghai.

## TELEGRAMS.

## [REUTERS' SERVICE.]

## VENEZUELAN SAIL TO INVADE THE REPUBLIC OF COLOMBIA.

London, 22nd August, 1901.  
A thousand Venezuelan troops have  
sailed aboard warships to invade the Re-  
public of Colombia in support of the re-  
volutionists.

## SOUTH AFRICA.

## Cape Colonist Shot as a Spy.

A Cape colonist named Upton, captured  
while endeavouring to pass the lines, has  
been shot at Pretoria as a spy.

London, 23rd August, 1901.

Three rebels have been shot at Graaf  
Reinet, and ten sentenced to penal ser-  
vitude for life in the Bomas.

The British have captured a Boer convoy  
of 80 waggons, with much stock, and eight-  
een prisoners, near Klerksdorp.

## THE ROYAL TOUR.

H. M. S. *Optim*, with the Duke and  
Duchess of Cornwall and York on board,  
has sailed for Canada.

## [HAYAS SERVICE.]

## SOUTH AFRICA.

Paris, August 17.  
Lord Kitchener telegraphs that the Brit-  
ish troops have defeated Kritzinger and  
driven him north of the Orange River.

Paris, August 18.  
At the closing of the Houses of Parlia-  
ment, the Speech from the Throne stated  
what progress had been made by the British  
troops in the conquest of the South African  
Republics. Difficulties arising from the  
nature of the country alone prolonged the  
military operations.

## FRANCE AND RUSSIA.

Paris, August 20.  
On the invitation of M. Loubet, the  
Czar will arrive at Dunkirk on the 17th of  
September. After reviewing the French  
naval squadron, he will proceed to Com-  
piègne, where he will rejoin the Czarina.  
The two sovereigns will attend the military  
manoeuvres finishing at Rheims on the 19th  
of September, and will leave France on the  
following day.



## WATER POLO.

## Final for the Water Polo Shield.

On Saturday afternoon, the final for the possession of the Water Polo Association's Challenge Shield was played at the enclosure of the Victoria Recreation Club at Kowloon. There was one of the largest gatherings that ever witnessed a water polo match in Hongkong, including many ladies, and in spite of the fact that the Gynkhana was being held simultaneously at the Happy Valley.

The finalists were the Royal Welch Fusiliers—Holland, Monk, Gregory, Andrews, Roberts, Hogg, and Collins. V.R.C. 'C' Team—Goal, F. D. Bain; backs, R. Lapsley and C. Hanco; half-back, A. E. Alves (captain); forwards, N. H. Alves, F. Jorge, and A. Humphreys.

Winning the toss, the Club team elected to play with the sun behind them, and the tide slightly in their favour. After a few minutes' play, A. E. Alves opened the scoring. The Club scored again before the Fusiliers opened their account, and at half-time the score was:—

V.R.C. 4 Goals.

Considering the strength and staying power of the soldiers, this was by no means a bad score, and it was felt that, if the Club players could only stay, the game would be theirs. It looked as if they were to have the first try when they were the first to open the scoring after the interval; but a change of opinion was quickly brought about when Gregory and Monk scored twice in rapid succession for the Fusiliers. Excitement now ran high. The V.R.C. representatives played up in the general manner, and not only prevented the Fusiliers from scoring again but kept up a fusillade of the military gun. In thirty minutes out one shot, the Fusiliers goalkeeper took the ball between the posts, thus scoring a sixth point to the Club. This was all the scoring, the result being that the V.R.C. retains possession of the Shield. Score:—

V.R.C. 4 Goals.

The Club team, on the other hand, played an excellent attacking game, and Lapsley and C. Hanco were strong in defence, and marked their men well.

The Fusiliers were rather weak in marking, and to this they owe their defeat. The game was full of excitement, and some of the soldiers fought badly. The referee was Mr. A. A. Alves, and the timekeeper Mr. R. Henderson, while the linesmen were furnished by the Royal Artillery and the Navy. All the services were well represented among the spectators.

## ENGLISH COUNTY CRICKET.

## Sussex Makes a New Record.

London, August 9.—York has beaten Hampshire at Haregate by an innings and 81 runs. J. T. Brown, senior scored 110 and Mr. T. L. Taylor 156.

August 10.—In the match between Kent and Surrey at Canterbury on the 8th instant, (Canterbury week), the former won by 150 runs. In the first innings Kent made 293 runs, to which Surrey replied with 115. In the second innings Kent put up a total of 202 runs for six wickets and declared, leaving Surrey with 381 runs to make to win. Surrey was, however, only able to score 236, leaving Kent the winner by the good margin of 150 runs. Bradley in the first innings, took seven wickets for 75.

The Canterbury week has been a great success, and there have been some very fashionable gatherings. At Cheltenham, on the 8th instant, (Cheltenham week), Middlesex beat Gloucestershire by four wickets.

At Leicester, on the 8th, Leicestershire beat Warwickshire by 219 runs. The matches between Somerset and Sussex at Taunton, Lancashire and Derbyshire at Manchester, and Essex and Notts at Leyton, were drawn.

For Notts, Mr. A. O. Jones scored 149 and Renington 133. For Essex, Carpenter scored 118 and Mr. A. J. Turner 120. For Somerset, Mr. L. C. H. Palmer scored 189. For Middlesex, Mr. R. P. Lewis scored 120, and for Sussex, Mr. George Brau scored 107.

Sussex, in its match with Somerset at Taunton, made the remarkable score of 433 for one wicket in the second innings. C. B. Fry contributing 119 not out. This is a record for the county.

The following is the record compiled to the 11th inst.:

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Essex	11	1	1	1
Derbyshire	11	1	1	1
Nottinghamshire	11	1	1	1
Gloucestershire	11	1	1	1
Leicestershire	11	1	1	1











